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Teachers' salary dispute escalates

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

West Sacramento's public school teachers will temporarily restrict their campus duties as the latest step in their union's salary impasse with Washington Unified School District.

According to a Washington Teachers Association flyer, the district's teachers will engage in a "work to rule" program from Jan. 6-24 at River City High School, and from Jan. 13-24 at all other local campuses. During the "work to rule" period, union teachers urge teachers to limit their workday to 20 minutes before school and 15 minutes after school and to suspend voluntary and hourly responsibilities for the campuses – including participating in after-school programs and student club and committee meetings.

The slowdown is to "convince the School Board that we are serious in our quest for fair compensation," said the WTA flyer, following a Dec. 17 general meeting of the union.

The union's president, Patty Yamat, could not immediately be reached for comment Monday. No one was immediately available for comment at the union's office.

District offices were also closed.

School board president Pat Flint told the News-Ledger yesterday that "not one board member has ever said we don't want to give the teachers more money," but that the district is still waiting for news of state budget cuts to come. By the end of January, she said, the school board will know if they have any money that could be used for teachers' raises.

"Our problem is knowing how much we have to give out without being a detriment to the community. We really won't know until the end of January."

Flint added that she "regrets" the salary impasse but must wait for current budget figures.

School superintendent Stu Greenfeld earlier this year told the News-Ledger that there was simply no money for a teachers' raise – a substantial raise the previous year had even used up part of this year's funding, he said.

Teachers have picketed district offices and other public places in West Sacramento in recent months, protesting the lack of a pay raise.

Santa's 'sleigh' rolls into town

Information courtesy of the City of West Sacramento Parks & Community Services Department



Over 200 children, parents and family members visited Santa Claus on the Yolo Shortline's annual "Santa Train," cosponsored by the city's parks and community services department Dec. 14. Hot chocolate and other refreshments were provided to visitors aboard the train.

The "Santa Train" stopped twice in West Sacramento to take on visitors – once at Gateway Blvd. near Jefferson Blvd., and again near the water treatment plant and North Harbor Blvd. Kids were invited aboard to meet Santa for free, and passengers had the option of riding the train for $2.

Also helping with the Santa Train were the Clarksburg Ad Hoc Committee, PIP Printing, Ramos Oil, West Sacramento's police and public works departments, La Bou, and Woodland's parks department.

West Sac says 'yes' to governor's residence, park

The West Sacramento City Council last Wednesday unanimously approved a plan to give the State of California 43 acres of riverfront property to develop a governor's mansion, a museum and state park.

Under the deal, the state would be bound to return any of the acreage not used for its intended purposes. But Mayor Christopher Cabaldon believes that won't be necessary.

"I have met personally with people at the highest levels of the state government and governor's administration, and we have assurances that we will have a state park (as well as museum and governor's compound)," said Cabaldon. "Now, the state has to formally accept the property and sign the agreement with us. They've got to go through all the legal reviews and environmental analysis that's required. It will be a few months before they can take action."

Will the proposal be derailed by competition for the governor's mansion from Sacramento?

"The first lady and administration are both firmly committed to this site and arrangement," Cabaldon answered. "The city of Sacramento certainly would prefer the governor's residence to be within its own city limits, but no viable site in that city met the criteria could be located within Sacramento."

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West Sacramento Mayor Christopher Cabaldon

Cabaldon said he expects a design competition for the property to be sponsored by the private foundation raising money for the governor's planned compound.

The city came into possession of the acreage on its northeastern riverfront after a neighboring developer defaulted on a development agreement and offered the acreage instead of meetings its original plans.

Can-do



SOME OF THE MEMBERS of the winning Crum & Crum food drive team: Robert Ibarra, Steve Patterson, Steve Macias, Robert John Vang, C.J. Curtis and Mark Guzma. Not pictured: Val Trujillo, Mark Guzman, Noel Rivas, Low Saetern & Dennis Miles.

Employees at a single West Sacramento distribution company collected over 6,000 cans of food for donation to the West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project this month. The food will help provide holiday meals for thousands of area residents.

Workers at Crum & Crum Logistics on Ramco Blvd. divided into competitive tams led by the company's managers. The teams chose names (including "The Motorheads," "Santa's Stormtroopers," "Raider's Reapers") and performed a two-week food drive.

A winning team led by captain Val Trujillo collected 1,474 cans, receiving a paid day off for each member courtesy of the company, said company owner Brenda Crum.

The company plans to make its food drive an annual event.

Phoning city government –

The opening of the West Sacramento Civic Center has necessitated new phone numbers for city offices relocating to the new site at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

The following city office numbers are now in service within the 916 area code:

- **Building Division/Permits, Inspection Services, 617-4683.**
- **Business Licenses, 617-4589.**
- **City Clerk, 617-4500.**
- **City Council, 617-4500.**
- **City Manager's Office, 617 4500.**
- **Community Development Department/Planning, Engineering, 617-4645.**
- **Finance Department, 617-4575.**
- **Fire Department Administration, 617-4600.**
- **Grants and Community Investment Department, 617-4555.**
- **Human Resources Division, 61-4500.**
- **Job Information Line, 617-4525.**
- **Parks and Community Services Department, 617-4620.**
- **Recycling Division, 617-4590.**
- **Redevelopment Agency/ Economic Development, 617-4535.**
- **Utility Billing, 617-4589**

Early deadline –

Due to the New Year holiday next Wednesday, deadline for all submissions for the News-Ledger's Jan. 1 issue will be this Friday, Dec. 27.

Flint, Machschefes head up new school board

At their annual organizational meeting Dec. 12, the trustees of the Washington Unified School District selected its leaders for the coming year.

School board member Pat Flint was elected president of the board and colleague Karl Machschefes was elected vice president, both on unanimous votes of the board.

New board member Kevin Jones, a school teacher in the Bay Area, was sworn in to office by superintendent Stu Greenfeld. He replaces Ardeene Westvik, a retired school administrator who did not seek another term on the board.

Greenfeld also administered the oath of office to Dave Farmer, re-elected to the board this November.

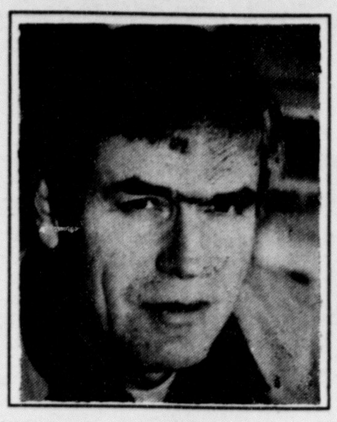
New board president Flint appointed Jones and herself to the "two-by-two" committee that meets with city elected officials, and asked Farmer to continue representing WUSD at the Yolo County School Boards Association meetings. Farmer and Machschefes were appointed to WUSD's curriculum council.

Board meetings will be held the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7 p.m. at 930 Westacre Rd. Beginning in February, the meetings will take place at the new civic center at 1110 West Capitol Ave.

Christmas and the evolution of the female body

Editor's note: Daryl is taking Christmas week off. Below is one of his favorite columns from Christmas past:

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

I have a work friend (I'll call her Ann) who doesn't think too highly of the Christmas holidays.

"It's becoming much too commercialized," Ann told me not too long ago, "and a few years back I just decided that enough was enough. I was sick and tired of slaving away making Christmas cookies and spending countless hours in crowded shopping malls picking out expensive gifts that just got returned anyway. Plus is was really starting to cause problems for me and my husband."

"Christmas?" I asked, wondering how my favorite holiday could possibly be detrimental to a marriage.

"You see," she explained, "most men just don't realize how much time and effort goes into making Christmas the merry old time it is. They don't have to do the shopping, the cooking, the Christmas cards, the thank you notes, the cleanup after all the relatives have finally gone home, nothing. Most of them just sit around drinking eggnog and watching football games. You're not like that, are you?"

"Oh, of course not," I lied.

"Well, I'm afraid my husband is, and we used to have these really big fights about it all the time. When we started throwing Christmas ornaments at each other a few years ago, I knew we had to do something."

"So," I asked with interest, "what did you do?"

"Well," she answered matter-of-factly, "now that all the kids are grown up and on their own, my husband and I just don't do Christmas anymore."

"You're kidding?"

"No, I'm serious. No more lighted reindeer on the roof, no outrageously expensive Christmas tree to keep watered, no big Christmas dinner to prepare, no relatives to push out the door as quickly as possible, nothing."

"Really?" I said with amazement. "You just completely ignore Christmas?"

"That's right. Except for going to church of course. You ought to try it. It's heaven."

"But I don't think I've ever heard of someone totally ignoring Christmas," I said.

"We even leave town," said Ann. "In fact, this year we've decided to go on one of those nice relaxing cruises for the holidays. Have you ever been on a cruise?"

"No, I'm afraid I haven't," I admitted.

"Well, we're really looking forward to it," she said with excitement in her eyes. "I hear they're great fun."

"I'm sure they are," I said, "but I've been told that you have to be very careful about what you eat when you go on one of those things."

"Really?" she asked with concern. "Why is that?"

"Because I guess they never stop serving you all the food you can eat," I said. "I mean, you can apparently devour full-course meals five times a day if you want -- all the way up until midnight -- and I'm talking lobsters and all kinds of really fancy desserts. In fact, I know this one poor lady who went on one of those Alaskan cruises and when she got back home, she had gained 15 pounds."

"Fifteen pounds!" exclaimed my friend with horror. "You can't be serious?"

Suddenly remembering that Ann is extremely weight conscious and that I had probably said the wrong thing, I quickly added, "You know, I just read somewhere that there's this new scientific study which shows that women -- particularly those of European descent like you -- are actually designed not only to store fat, but to resist losing it."

"What are you talking about?" she asked with alarm.

"Well," I said, wishing I had never brought up the subject but not knowing how to go about changing it, "it's just that I don't think you should worry too much about gaining weight on your Christmas cruise because this new study says that women are supposed to maintain at least a two-to-one fat-ratio to men. Plus they've proven that women have an enhanced ability to accumulate fat. You see, these scientists were dissecting these female gorillas, and underneath the furred skin, particularly around the thighs, they found this really impressive layer of fat. So they asked themselves why that should be and they came up with this brand new theory -- that women just aren't supposed to have thin thighs, tiny breasts, narrow hips and flat stomachs. Apparently women were given a body shape by evolution designed to store fat for lactation and hard times. Now, unlike rabbits, who average only four percent body fat because a slow rabbit is a dead rabbit, women are supposed to...."

"Stop it! Stop it!" suddenly shouted Ann.

"But all I'm saying is that you should be able to pig-out if you want on your Christmas cruise and it's just not fair for society to hold women to a low-fat male standard of beauty. Their bodies just haven't evolved that way."

"And just what in the bloody world does this have to do with the Christmas conversation we were having?" she demanded to know, giving me the distinct impression that had a Christmas ornament been available, she would have thrown it at me.

Obituaries

Robert Fausett

Robert Fausett, a resident of Broderick for 66 years, passed away in Sacramento on December 21, 2002. He was the beloved husband of 57 years to Joanne Fausett; the loving father of Roberta Pinola, Mickey Fausett and Jeanette Perez; the dear brother of Marguerita Hunt and Johnny Buker; and the devoted grandfather of nine and great-grandfather of ten. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Donna Reina.

Robert was a World War II Navy veteran and a past president and active member of CSEA.

Friends are invited to attend a Memorial Service on Friday, December 27, 2002 at 2 p.m. in the River Cities Funeral Chapel, 910 Soule Street in West Sacramento. Private inurnment will be in the Woodland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Make a Wish Foundation, 1401 Halyard Drive, Suite 130, West Sacramento, California 95691.

Elcie May Enos

Elcie Enos, a resident of West Sacramento for over 30 years, passed away on December 19, 2002. She was the beloved wife of Ernest Enos; the loving mother of Harold Sandahl and Judy Sandahl-Butz; the dear step-mother of Donna Coffey and Steve Coffey; and the devoted grandmother of Kenneth Sandahl, Marissa Silva, Sam Slater, Roy Butz, Katy Butz, Jeffrey Warner and David Warner.

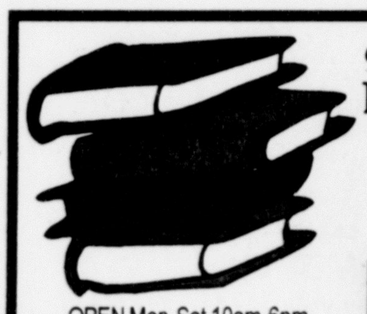
Elcie was a member of the UPC, a state award winner for baking and canning, and a sweepstakes winner.

Friends are invited to attend a Celebration of Life on Friday, December 27, 2002 at 11 a.m. in the River Cities Funeral Chapel, 910 Soule Street in West Sacramento. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. Friday morning. Interment will be in Camellia Memorial Lawn. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Alzheimer's Society, PO Box 1824, Sacramento, California.

Joyce L. Smith

Joyce Smith, a native of Texas and a resident of West Sacramento for 34 years, passed away at her home at the age of 74 on December 21, 2002. She was the beloved wife of 32 years to Raymond Smith; the loving mother of Henry Beckworth, John Thomson and Billy Thomson; the dear sister of Carolyn Sue Collins; and the devoted grandmother of five and great-grandmother of 11. She was preceded in death by grandson Daniel Thomson and siblings Laura Dellrose Coward and Richard Williams.

Friends are invited to attend Funeral Services on Thursday, December 26, 2002 at 11 a.m. in the River Cities Funeral Chapel in West Sacramento. Visitation will begin Thursday morning at 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Private interment will be at the San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery.



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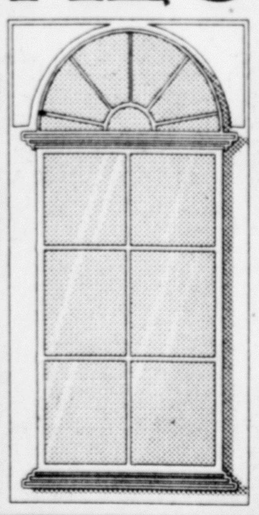
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SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

NFL ACTION

The Oakland Raiders gave their fans an early Christmas present with their 28-16 division clinching victory of the Denver Broncos. The Raiders swept the two game series from the Broncos for the first time since 1994. The Raiders have now won the AFC West title three consecutive years. The Raiders can win the home field advantage throughout the playoffs with a victory over Kansas City in the season finale next Saturday (2 p.m.-ch.13) at the "Black Hole".

The Super Bowl bound Silver and Black look like the team to beat in the AFC as the playoff picture become a little brighter. Going into the last week of the regular season only the Raiders and Titans have clinched a spot for the trip to San Diego on January 26th. Entering the final week six teams are still alive with an 8-7 record. Miami, New England and the New York Jets are still battling for the AFC East title. Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Denver, San Diego and Kansas City are still alive as wild card teams.

In the NFC the 49ers squeaked out a 17-14 road win in Arizona while protecting some key players as they approach their January 5th playoff game at Candlestick Park. The Niners rest Terrell Owens and other players as they prepare for their last regular game contest next Monday night in St. Louis.

Only two NFC playoff spots are available going into final week and looks like Atlanta, New York and New Orleans are going down to the wire for the two slots. The Giants surprised the Colts with a shocking 44-27 win while the Saints playoff hopes took a tumble with their loss to the lowly Bengals. The Giants control their own destiny. If they win next Saturday at home against Philadelphia, they will be in and could be the Niners first round opponent.

My Christmas picks for next week are the N.Y. Giants (+2) to upset Philadelphia while the Saints bounce back at home against Carolina and the Colts (-4) at home against the Jags. On Monday night I'll finish the regular with another Niners (+2) win over the Lambs.

KINGS KORNER

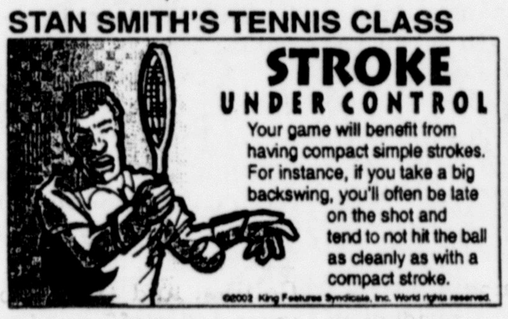
The Kings are warming up for the Christmas Day game in Los Angeles against Shaq-a-Claus and the Lakers. The Kings beat up the Warriors on Sunday night 103-88 and the teams looks pretty healthy as they prepare to play on National television (5:30 p.m-ch.10). The Kings and Lakers have been exchanging words since the Lakers playoff win over the Kings last season. Shaq even referred to the Kings as the "queens" on National television.

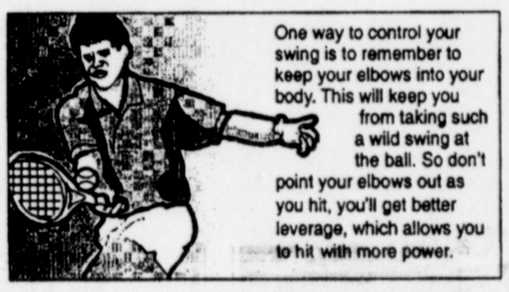
The Kings fans are really up for this game and on Sunday night midway through the fourth quarter the Kings fans started chanting "Beat L.A., Beat L.A..

My question is – Kings players really up for this game? We'll find out on Christmas Day!

See next week and Merry Christmas!!

STAN SMITH'S TENNIS CLASS





A Sporting View by Chris Richcreek

The Hall of Fame Game

As the holiday season transitions to a new year, the eyes of baseball will move toward a key event — the results of the latest Hall of Fame voting, set to be announced Jan. 7.

The voting process has undergone a big change related to the Veterans Committee, which is a good thing, considering how the system works.

The Baseball Writers Association of America, which is the first panel that considers players for the hall, has numerous rules coupled with certain unwritten guidelines, one of which is that only the very best can be chosen as first-ballot Hall of Famers. Others must wait various lengths of time before being deemed worthy.

As a result, there are candidates who have picked up a lot of votes in recent years but cannot seem to achieve the 75 percent of the votes needed in a given year for enshrinement.

Bert Blyleven (287), Tommy John (288) and Jim Kaat (283) are all within 17 games of reaching the landmark 300-victory level for their careers, and yet none has gained entry.

The same goes for Steve Garvey, who was a perennial All-Star during the '70s and finished with a career average of .294 and 1,308 RBIs.

Relief aces tend to be a troubled lot. Bruce Sutter and Rich Gossage were feared in their time, but both might have to buy a ticket to get into the hall in the near future.

The Hall of Fame is for the game's top players, but many of them who are thought to be on the cusp of greatness seem to lack, at least in the BBWAA's eyes, the means by which to gain entry.

According to the rules, players have up to 15 years on the BBWAA ballot before they are ousted, and then their only chance of entry rests with the Veterans Committee.

But things have changed with the Veterans Committee. The 15-member panel has been expanded six-fold. It will vote every two years on players, and instead of being limited to electing one player a year, any player who receives 75 percent of the vote will become a member of the Hall of Fame.

It will likely not end every perceived injustice — Pete Rose, anyone? — but it stands a chance to be a good step in that direction.

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Major league teams to spar at Raley Field

The Sacramento River Cats announced that the Texas Rangers and Seattle Mariners will play March 29 in a preseason game at Raley Field in West Sacramento. The game will be the first time two major league teams have played each other in the Sacramento area since 1964.

The River Cats, minor league affiliate of the Oakland A's franchise, will play the A's in a preseason game March 30 at Raley Field.

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Govern a great nation as you would cook a small fish; don't overdo it.
—Lao—Tzu

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As long as you're working, you stay young.
—George Burns

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Sports QUIZ

by Chris Richcreek

1. True or false: Barry Bonds is the only player in major-league history to have 500 homers and 500 stolen bases.
2. Who was the last player before Seattle's Ichiro Suzuki in 2001 to lead a league in batting average and stolen bases in the same season?
3. Who is the only Duke football coach since 1966 to leave the school with a winning record?
4. Only three NBA players averaged at least 20 points, seven rebounds and five assists a game for the 2001-02 season. Name them.
5. Who has had his name engraved the most times on the NHL's Stanley Cup?
6. The U.S. team won only one gold medal in the 1936 Winter Olympics. In what sport was gold achieved?
7. In 1993, golfer Greg Norman was the third-round leader in all four majors. How many did he end up winning?

Answers On Back Page

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. ECONOMICS: Who wrote "The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism"?
2. HISTORY: What was the approximate human population of Earth in the year 1 A.D.?
3. LANGUAGE: What's a fedora?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the so-called Low Countries?
5. MYTHOLOGY: In Greek mythology, who was the personification of peace?
6. LITERATURE: Who wrote a satirical book of verse called "Enough Rope" in 1926?
7. ART: Who painted the famous work called "The Persistence of Memory"?
8. MOVIES: When was Alfred Hitchcock's movie "The Birds" released?

Answers

1. Max Weber
2. 200 million
3. Hat
4. Northwest Europe
5. Irene
6. Dorothy Parker
7. Salvador Dali
8. 1963

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'ACROSS THE BRIDGE':

Events around the West Sacramento region

Storytellers

The Sacramento Storytellers Guild will be presenting *Beginnings*, a storytelling performance on January 9th at 7:30 p.m. in the Hart Senior Center, 27th and J Streets in Sacramento. Admission is free and donations are accepted. For further information, call Amelia at 863-1121.

Antiques show and sale

Sunrise Mall's Winter Antiques Show and Sale runs from January 2-5. Exhibitors will fill the Mall from Macy's North to Sears with glass, china, porcelains, pottery, furniture and much more. Sunrise Mall is located at Sunrise Boulevard and Greenback Lane in Citrus Heights. For more information, call 961-7150

Wildlife refuge happenings

Wintering migration is presently flying through at Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge. Enjoy the self-guided hike to the wildlife viewing platform on January 11th and 25th. For updates and unexpected closures such as flooding, call 775-4420.

To reach the refuge take Interstate 5 to the Elk Grove Boulevard exit, turn west and park. The entrance is adjacent to the highway.

Play auditions

The Francis Dickie-St. Michael's Actors Guild (944-2763) will hold auditions January 6-7 at 7 p.m. for "Seven Keys to Baldpate", a mystery-farce by George M. Cohan. Roles are open for 13 adults of any age. Auditions will be cold readings from the script and will take place at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 2140 Mission Avenue in Carmichael. For more information, call 557-0151.

Classic movies

The 11th year of classic movies at the Towe Auto Museum begins with the showing of the 1935 Grace Moore classic movie "The King Steps Out" on January 24th at 7 pm, a musical comedy based on the life of Emperor Franz Joseph. Admission is $8. The Towe Auto Museum is located at 2200 Front Street in Sacramento. For more information, call 442-6802.

Holiday music

The Sacramento Master Singers will present "Joy to the World" throughout mid-December at St. Francis Church, 26th and K Streets in Sacramento. The concert features a lush combination of voices, brass and percussion and new arrangements of holiday favorites. For performance dates and ticket prices, call 338-0300.

Martin Luther King march

Sacramento City College and the Freedom March Committee invite the public to participate in the 16th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March, to be held on January 20, 2003. The March will depart the Oak Park Community Center at 7:30 a.m. and will be followed by a 10:30 a.m. program at the west steps of the Capitol. Marchers are encouraged to join at any station along the route.

For further information, call the Sacramento Urban League at 286-8600.

Remembering Vietnam

The Golden State Museum, 1020 O Street in Sacramento, will present "The Golden State Reflects on the Vietnam War" from October 8th to January 26, 2003. On display will be treasured artifacts from the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Sacramento's State Capitol Park that reflect the many different ways in which Californians have responded to the war. General admission is $5 and for more information, call 653-7524.

Homespun memories

The Folsom History Museum's newest exhibit, HomeSpn Memories: A Stitch in Time, features the lost art of needlework and embroidery. The theme of the exhibit lies within "women's work" and what they did Monday through Sunday. The exhibit runs through January 5, 2002. The Folsom History Museum is located at 823 Sutter Street in Folsom.

Autorama

The 53rd Annual Sacramento Autorama will be held at the Cal Expo & State Fairgrounds, 1600 Exposition Boulevard in Sacramento on February 7-9. It is the largest custom car show in the West with hundres of vehicles, hot rods, motorcylcles, trucks and restored cars. For ticket and other information, call 530-667-4761.

Widowed persons meet

The Widowed Persons Association of California encourages widowed men and women to come to Sunday Support get-togethers each Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Widowed Persons Association office, located at 2628 El Camino Avenue, Suite D-18.

Activities include bowling, brown bag opera, needle and thread, breakfasts, dinners, golf, card games, dancing and traveling. For more information, call 972-9722.

Soroptimist awards: looking for a few good community members

West Sacramento's Soroptimist International club recently announced they will be sponsoring four community service awards and that they need the help of the community in identifying worthy recipients. The awards are:

(1) The Violet Richardson Award, which honors young women for their volunteer actions. The award is a recognition program for young women ages 14-17 engaged in volunteer action within their communities or schools. The award is given to young women whose volunteer activities make the community and world a better place.

(2) The Women's Opportunity Awards program, which provides cash grants for women seeking to improve their employment status by gaining additional education and skills. The program was designed to provide assistance to women who serve as the primary breadwinners for their families. The women may use the award to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education.

(3) The Making a Difference for Women recognition program, which recognizes a woman who through her active participation in her community has truly made a difference for women. This participation can be through her job or as a private citizen working on her own. This should be a woman who has been active in the community for at least ten years.

(4) Women of Distinction, which honors those women who have served with distinction through community organizations.

The Violet Richardson Award and the Women's Opportunity Award each have a cash grant made to the recipient and the opportunity to advance on to the Regional level for consideration. The Women Helping Women, and Women of Distinction awards will be honored with a donation to the recipients favorite charity in her name.

Anyone interested in providing names of persons they feel are qualified for any of the above mentioned awards can contact Soroptimist International of West Sacramento President Jerri Wingfield at 371-7678 or PO Box 94, West Sacramento, California 95691.



Scott Arthur Masear

"After my medical license was revoked, I tried robbing banks, but no one could read my stickup notes."



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Get Your Financial House In Order

(NAPS)—According to the second annual Allstate "Retirement Reality Check" survey, 69 percent of Baby Boomers believe they know how much money they need to save for retirement. However, more than half of those surveyed (53 percent) also worry that they won't be able to meet these goals by retirement.

Where do you stand in saving for your golden years? Here are some things to consider when putting a plan in place at various stages of your life:

Getting started (age 21-30)

- Tackle short-term goals like reducing credit card debt and paying off college loans.
- Participate to the maximum allowed in your employer's 401(k) or similar savings plan.

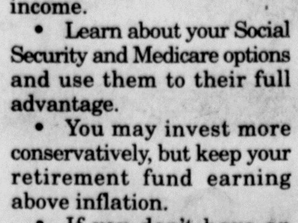
Getting settled (age 31-40)

- Focus on savings despite multiple demands on your time and money at this stage of your life.
- Invest for the long run to reap the most rewards.
- Consider other tax-deferred investments if you're already maxing out your 401(k) and IRA contributions.
- Encourage children to contribute to their college funds.

Moving up (age 41-50)

- If your kids are older, you can spend less on them and save more for retirement.
- Continue investing and let the power of compounding work for you.
- Consider your aging parents and talk to them about future care.

Empty nesters (age 51-60)



By planning early for your retirement, you make it easier to enjoy your golden years.

- With retirement around the corner, at least 15 to 20 percent of your income should go toward retirement savings.
- Your retirement investments will be working for you for years to come, so you don't have to be overconservative.
- Consider buying long-term care insurance now while rates are affordable.
- Update beneficiaries on financial documents.

A new beginning (age 61+)

- Make a priority of filling the gaps in medical coverage between your employer's plans and Medicare.
- Consider working part-time to supplement your income.
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"Life is like a menu ... some things sound better than they are."

CRITIC'S CORNER
By D.N.A. Smith

"Analyze That"

Running Time: 95 minutes
MPAA rating: R

In "Analyze That," Robert De Niro and Billy Crystal reprise their roles as mob guy Paul Vitti (De Niro) and his long-suffering shrink Ben Sobel (Crystal).

"Analyze That" is everything "Analyze This" was, only "That" is less funny, more disjointed and a few notches below its predecessor's mediocrity level.

Why? That's easy to explain: "Analyze This" was successful because no one had ever seen De Niro playing comedy — especially something as farcical as "Analyze This" was intended to be. The novelty of De Niro playing for yucks was a perfect way to keep most audiences from noticing that the film was not much funnier than your average SNL sketch-turned-flick.

Now that De Niro has been in a couple other alleged comedies, the novelty has worn off, and its ability to mask the faults of "Analyze That" is painfully apparent.

And I do mean painful. At the beginning of the movie we find De Niro in Sing Sing prison faking insanity by singing show tunes. The only thing more painful than listening to De Niro sing is having to hear it blasted through a multiplex sound system.

De Niro is released from prison and remanded into Crystal's custody, meaning the mobster must live in the shrink's home. Crystal doesn't really like the idea and neither does his wife, played by Lisa Kudrow. Crystal tries to get De Niro to get some legit employment, but the mob life pulls him back in, and De Niro is stuck having to give his loyalty to one of two warring families.

There was a chance in "Analyze That" for the movie to raise the comedy bar, and that's the part where De Niro gets a job as a consultant on a network TV show about the mob. Sadly, the actors, writers and director Harold Ramis didn't think this would



Billy Crystal, Robert De Niro

be suitable comedy fodder. But then, it's hard to understand why they made any of their choices in this film. One of the running gags is the constant referral to grieving as a "process." Funny, right?

Anyhoo, De Niro's life is threatened and Crystal has to get sucked into the whole mob thing, just like in the first movie — only it's less funny and more predictable.

Honestly, there isn't much to recommend this picture. De Niro is just phoning it in, like he has been for the past decade, and Crystal doesn't seem to have much enthusiasm for the project either. My guess is, some accountant crunched a few numbers, decided a sequel would make a profit in video sales, so everyone signed on for a cut of the gross participation swag. "Analyze That" isn't so much a creative endeavor as it is a package deal.

Grade: D

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top 10 movies

1. **Die Another Day** .....(PG-13)
Pierce Brosnan, Halle Berry
2. **Analyze That** .....(R)
Robert DeNiro, Billy Crystal
3. **Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets** .....(PG)
Daniel Radcliffe, Kenneth Branagh
4. **Empire** .....(R)
John Leguizamo, Denise Richards
5. **Treasure Planet** .....(PG)
Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Brian Murray
6. **The Santa Clause 2** .....(G)
Tim Allen, Spencer Breslin
7. **Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights** .....(PG-13)
Adam Sandler, Jackie Titone
8. **Friday After Next** .....(R)
Ice Cube, Mike Epps
9. **8 Mile** .....(R)
Eminem, Kim Basinger
10. **The Ring** .....(PG-13)
Naomi Watts, Martin Henderson

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TOP TEN

Top 10 Video Rentals

1. **Reign of Fire** .....(PG-13)
Matthew McConaughey (Touchstone Home Video)
2. **Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood** .....(PG-13)
Sandra Bullock (Warner Home Video)
3. **Mr. Deeds** .....(PG-13)
Adam Sandler (Columbia TriStar Home Ent.)
4. **Spider-Man** .....(PG-13)
Tobey Maguire (Columbia TriStar Home Ent.)
5. **The Sum of All Fears** ..(PG-13)
Ben Affleck (Paramount Home Ent.)
6. **Bad Company** .....(PG-13)
Chris Rock (Touchstone Home Video)
7. **Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones** .....(PG)
Natalie Portman (FoxVideo)
8. **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron** .....(G)
animated (DreamWorks Home Ent.)
9. **Insomnia** .....(R)
Al Pacino (Warner Home Video)
10. **Juwanna Mann** .....(PG-13)
Miguel A. Nunez Jr. (Warner Home Video)

Top 10 DVD Sales

1. **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — Pan & Scan** .....(G)
(DreamWorks Home Ent.)
2. **Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones — Widescreen** (PG)
(FoxVideo)
3. **Reign of Fire** .....(PG-13)
(Touchstone Home Video)
4. **Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones — Pan & Scan** (PG)
(FoxVideo)
5. **Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — Widescreen** .....(G)
(DreamWorks Home Ent.)
6. **The Lord of the Rings — Special Edition — Widescreen** .....(PG-13)
(New Line Home Ent.)
7. **Spider-Man — Widescreen** .....(PG-13)
(Columbia TriStar Home Ent.)
8. **Spider-Man — Pan & Scan** .....(PG-13)
(Columbia TriStar Home Ent.)
9. **Monsters, Inc.** .....(G)
(Walt Disney Home Ent.)
10. **The Sum of All Fears** .....(R)
(Paramount Home Ent.)

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CELEBRITY extra

by Evelyn Green

Q. As an African-American, I would like to know if Nicole Kidman plans to tell her adopted African-American son about his people's history, or will he be raised only in the white culture? — *Dorothy J.*

Q. I was under the impression that Nicole Kidman is Australian, but I was recently told she's actually an American. Please explain. — *Gerri McL.*

A. To Dorothy J.: Nicole has said that Conor (one of two children she adopted with ex-husband, Tom Cruise) will be fully exposed to his African-American heritage, and she would also support any effort he might later make to find his birth parents.

A. To Gerri McL.: Kidman was born in Hawaii, which makes her American by virtue of birth. However, she was raised in Australia and considers herself an Australian. It's much the same with Mel Gibson, who was born in the U.S.A. but raised Down Under and also considers himself an Aussie.

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Q. Is it true that Andy Richter might return as Conan O'Brien's sidekick? — *Bill D.*

A. Unlikely. Sidekicks for late-night talk show hosts are essentially an extinct species; Ed McMahon was probably the last of the lot. In any event, Richter's series, "Andy Richter Controls the Universe," is back on FOX and getting better reviews than it did on its first airing last spring.



Nicole Kidman

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Q. How many times was (former general, now Secretary of State) Colin Powell married? I say twice; my sister says only once. Who is right? — *Janine H.*

A. Your sister is right. According to his official biography, Powell has been wed just once, to his current wife, the former Alma Vivian Johnson. They have three children and two grandchildren.

Have a question for Evelyn? E-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com, or write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Dollars and ense

by David Uffington

Financial Success in 2003

Here are some more tips for getting your financial house in order in 2003.

• "Round up" on mortgage payments. Pay a little more on your mortgage payments. You will add equity to your home, giving you extra flexibility when you decide to move or refinance. For example, if you prepay $100 a month on a $150,000 loan, you will save $72,952 in interest and shave 7 1/2 years off the loan.

• Pay off your car loan. Interest on your car is not deductible unless it's through a home-equity loan. Even then, the rate is probably higher than on your mortgage. Pay it off and save.

• Open an IRA. Do this only after you've maxed out with your company's retirement plan. You'll probably come out best with the Roth IRA, which means you contribute after-tax dollars, but then get to withdraw it in retirement tax-free.

• Re-evaluate your term life insurance policy. If you've had the same term life insurance policy for some time — say, five years or more — you can probably cut your premiums dramatically by changing policies. Here's why: When you buy a policy, you get a medical exam and the insurer knows you're healthy. But each year the premium increases as you grow older and the time stretches out after your health exam. If you apply anew and get a fresh exam, the insurer sees you as a better risk. In addition, there's a premium war going on right now in term insurance.

• Account for your money. People who know where their money goes spend far less and save more. Keep a little notebook with you to record your small cash purchases.

Here's to financial stability and success in 2003!

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Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Nov. 19, 2002
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov. 14, 2002
File No. 2002-925

The following person is doing business as RPS Enterprise, 867 McNeill Circle, Woodland CA 95695:

Richard Stewart and Paula Stewart, same address as above.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

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/s/Richard Stewart

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Filed Nov. 21, 2002
File No. 2002-945

The following person is doing business as River City Photography, 1001 Jefferson Blvd. #500, West Sacto., CA 95691:

Vadim Telchak and Diana Telchak, 201 3rd St., W. Sacto., CA 95605.

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/s/Vadim Telchak

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov. 13, 2002
File No. 2002-918

The following person is doing business as Wolf Enterprises and Investments Inc.; Wolf Management Services; Wolf Investments Unlimited, at 1300 Harbor Boulevard, West Sacramento CA 95691.

Randall A. Carasco, 1716 Deerwood St., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

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/s/Randall A. Carasco

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Aug 279, 2002
File No. 2002-698

The following person is doing business as Fat Cat Scones, 752 Northport, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

VanWolfs LLC, 8552 Erinbrook Wy, Sacto CA 95826.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

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/s/Anthony Van Rees, President

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Date: Aug 27, 2002
by: /s/Vikki Wittig, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Oct 28, 2002
File No. 2002-871

The following person is doing business as Davis Surgery Center, 2120 Cowell Blvd., Building K, Davis, CA 95616:

Davis Surgery Center Inc., 635 Anderson Road, Suite 18, Davis CA 95616, incorp. in Calif.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on.

/s/Keith Brewer MD
Davis Surgery Center Inc.

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Date: Dec 3, 2002
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez , Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 6, 2002
File No. 2002-979

The following person is doing business as Quest Health Care, 2799-B Delmonte Street, W. Sacramento CA95691:

Centennial Medical Equipment (a Florida corp.), 2600 Technology Drive, Suite 300, Orlando FL 32804.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10-15-02.

/s/Rebecca L. Myers, Secretary
Centennial Medical Equipment, Inc.

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Date: Dec. 6, 2002
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 11, 2002
File No. 2002-999

The following person is doing business as Davis Ford; Davis Nissan, 5080 Chiles Rd., Davis CA 95616.

Davis Ford Inc. (a Delaware corp.), 5080 Chiles Road, Davis CA 95616.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on NOT YET BEGUN.

/s/B.L. Kilbride, Vice President
Davis Ford, Inc.

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The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing.

—Socrates

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NOTICE TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the Jefferson Boulevard Widening Project located in the City of West Sacramento. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of widening Jefferson Boulevard between Stone Boulevard and Marshall Road. The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that with the implementation of recommended mitigation measures there will be no significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file in the office of the West Sacramento Community Development Department located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 (telephone: 916/617-4645).

Any affected or interested parties may appear at the January 15, 2003 City Council meeting and comment on the Mitigated Negative Declaration and/or the proposed project.

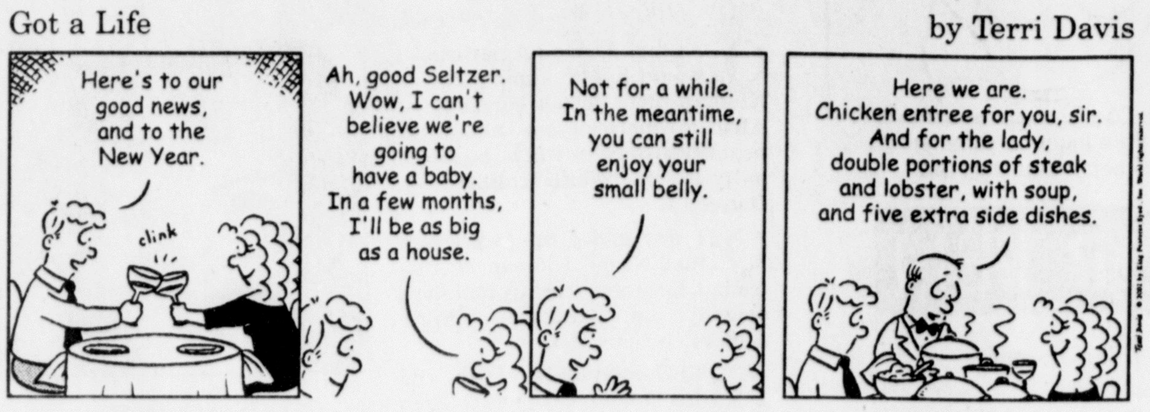
The West Sacramento City Council will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration on January 15, 2003, in the City Council chambers located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

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PUZZLES & COMICS

Got a Life

by Terri Davis



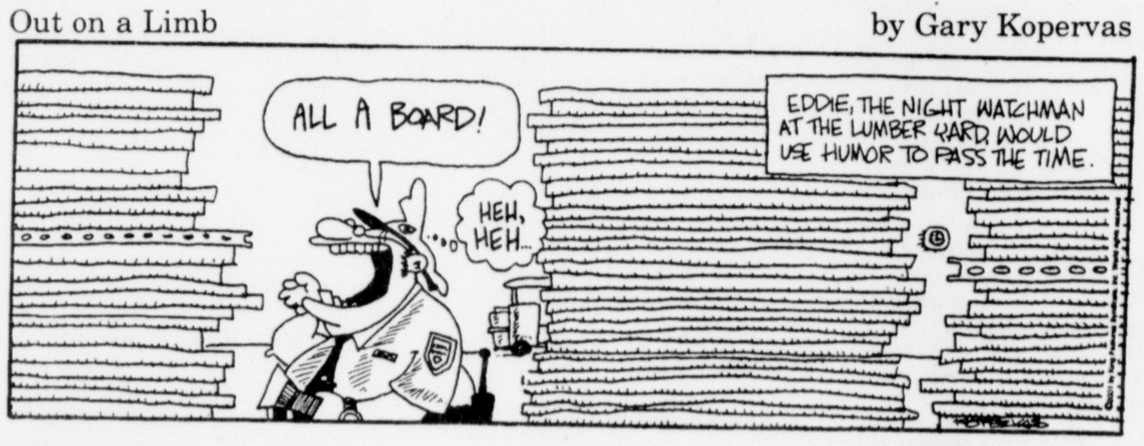
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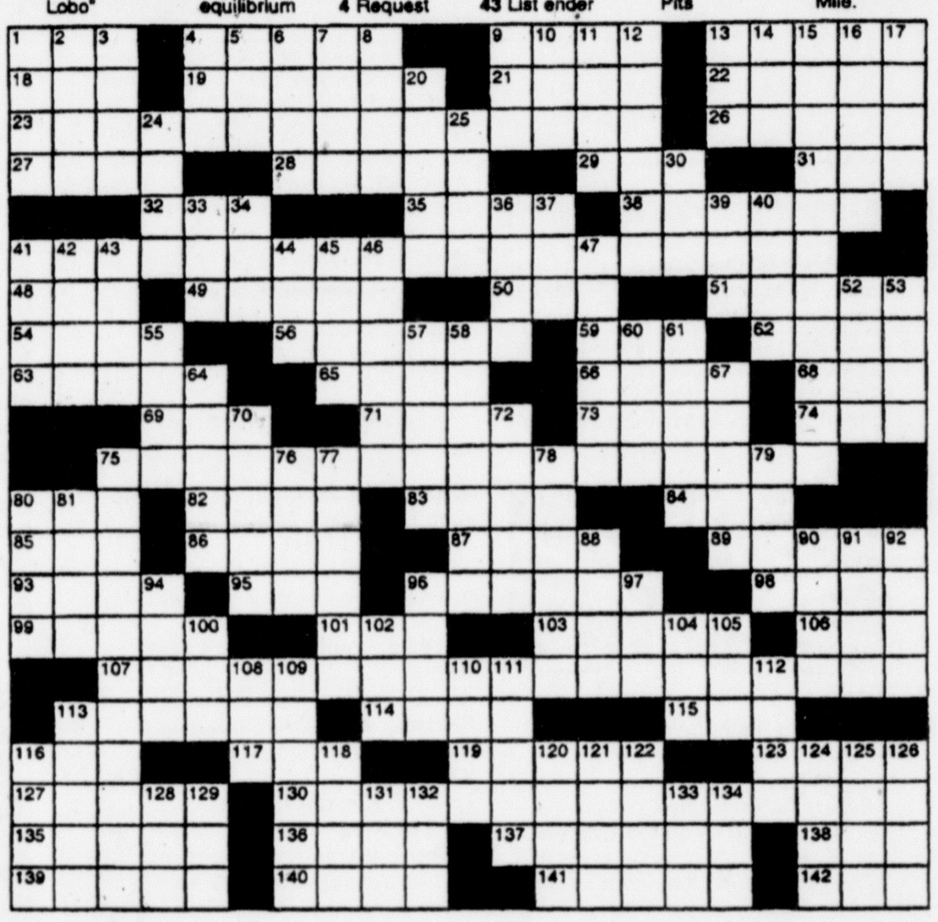




Super Crossword — NOVEL BEGINNINGS

ACROSS
1 "One — Apple" ('71 song)
4 Broadway org.
9 Presidential pooch
13 Loudly, to Liszt
18 Spud bud
19 Propped (up)
21 Author Murdoch
22 Menotti title character
23 Over-laundered muumuu?
26 Aquarium fish
27 Viscount's better
28 Walked off with
29 Baby beagle
31 Noun suffix
32 Objective
35 Lose luster
38 One of the Sopranos
41 Embarrassed late-night host?
48 Humble abode
49 Hawke of "Training Day"
50 Start to cry?
51 Pageant prop
54 Jack of "Rio Lobo"
56 Dicta
59 Seek change?
62 Coasted
63 Cock and bull
65 Sup in style
66 "Rule Britannia" composer
68 Call — day
69 Fill in
71 — Scotia
73 Sculptor Bernini
74 Snead or Spiegel
75 Tarzan the Studious?
80 Ingot
82 Airhead
83 Fruit-tree spray
84 Biol. or chem.
85 — Dhabi
86 Art deco designer
87 Sicilian volcano
89 Humble abode
93 Gershwin heroine
95 Wordless greeting
96 "Every — You Take" ('83 hit)
98 Cheer competitor
99 Singer John
101 Organ of equilibrium
103 Maguire of "Spider-Man"
106 Singer Barry
107 Undecided activists?
113 Roman writer
114 Hit hard
115 Reverence
116 It may be fake
117 Author Umberto
119 Adjusted an Amati
123 Lhasa —
127 Come in
130 Good source of minerals?
135 Cold sound
136 "Ritorna vincitor!" singer
137 Piston packing
138 Shelley's "— Skylark"
139 Versify
140 Inn offering
141 New Hampshire campus
142 Hog heaven?

DOWN
1 Actress Neuwirth
2 Auel heroine
3 Forest beauty
4 Request
5 "Quiet!"
6 Dove sounds
7 In — (bored)
8 Cuban currency
9 Evergreen tree
10 Exist
11 Speech problem
12 Take for granted
13 Too big for one's breeches?
14 Doolittle's digs
15 Type of philosophy
16 Hurl
17 Panache
20 Dutch pottery
24 Sitka's st.
25 Work in Vegas
30 By means of
33 Cover the cake
34 Wrestling surface
36 Labor leader Eugene
37 WWII area
39 Qty.
40 Emcee's site
41 '54 James Arness film
42 A shake in the grass?
43 List ender
44 Pi follower
45 Cooking fat
46 Close
47 Trinidad's neighbor
52 Moreno or Hayworth
53 Inspector Dalgliesh
55 Engage, as gears
57 "— Gay"
58 Party animal
60 Palladino of "ER"
61 Behaves like a beaver
64 Kid stuff?
67 Methuselah's dad
70 Borg or Ulvaeus
72 Subside
75 Reliable
76 As many as
77 Essential
78 Elaborate
79 Brilliant display
80 Movie piglet
81 Explorer Tasman
88 Energy source
90 Offensive
91 Churchill's successor
92 Time to give up
94 Head for the clouds
96 La — Tar Pits
97 "Six Feet Under" network
100 Pro-gun grp.
102 PD alert
104 — Marie Saint
105 Evergreen tree
108 Expert
109 The gods guzzle it
110 — Spumante
111 Newscaster Connie
112 Nut part
113 Feeling
116 Dread
118 Phil Donahue's birthplace
120 Neighbor of Mont.
121 Gaelic
122 Luke, Bo, or Daisy
124 Prepares cherries
125 Glasgow guy
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128 Accounting abbr.
129 Singer Tommy
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132 Hat for 125 Down
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By L. Gaffney

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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DINING, TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

A family tradition

Touring with Teddi — by Teddi Boylan



From the author: If this week's column appears to be a little different from past columns, it's because Teddi is recuperating from some unexpected, but appreciated surgery. You know her as Teddi, but I know her as mom. I'm just happy to report she's doing better and is looking forward to get back touring soon. In the meantime, I was asked to share a word or 600 on a family tradition.

By Tom Boylan

You shouldn't have to eat turnips on Christmas. I personally have a hard time accepting turnips at any time, due to a childhood memory of the turnips mom would make for our family's annual feast. Every Christmas would draw the same reaction from the kids in the family and those cousins or children of friends who were in attendance for the holiday. But every attempt to be polite and turn down the mashed vegetable from hell was countered with a command from a parental unit saying, "just try a little, it's good for you to try new tastes."

After leaving home and finding myself a part of other families' celebrations, I recognized our house was the only one to make the dreaded food called turnips as a tradition. I also started to think that my parents knew how much we disliked the turnip but offered it as a cruel joke they could laugh about while the kids were cleaning the kitchen after the meal.

Tradition means a lot to my family, especially during the holidays. I don't think I will ever forget the sight of my father laying tinsel, one strand at a time, across the tree with occasional pauses to sip at his eggnog. While dad worked on the finishing touches there would be sweet smells coming from the kitchen as my mother prepared for our traditional holiday meal. We never thought about the dreaded turnips while the aroma of roasting turkey filled the house.

Several years back I managed to gather all the brothers and sisters along with mom to my home for a family Christmas feast. That we could have so many from so far away, along with the nieces and nephews made the day extra special. My wife and I made a decision to prepare an exotic alternative to the family's traditional turkey.

This year we would break tradition and offer a "Turkey-Durken."

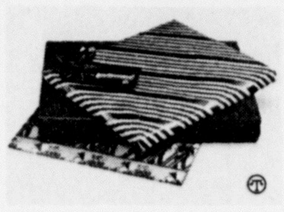
The Turkey-Durken caught our attention while reading a Delta Airlines in-flight magazine several months prior to our gathering. It won us over with a delicious description of a Turkey stuffed with a duck, and then stuffed with a chicken. We placed the order when we landed, well in advance of the gathering.

On the day of our family's feast there were many skeptics among the brood, but the aroma was enthusiastically appreciated. When the meal came out of the oven, you could tell it was going to be different from past years. As the carving knife attempted entry there was no thinly sliced breast that fell off to the side. What we witnessed was an outpouring of the "durken." It wasn't pretty, but we all hung on the notion that the taste would make up for the looks.

Just as we were about to pass around the platter to the skeptics, mom walked out of the kitchen carrying a large bowl of family tradition, steaming mashed turnips. To a person, every adult who had shared the place we called home as children let out an audible, "uhh, turnips." A good round of laughter followed that offered a reminder for how special Christmas can be when family comes together.

Happy Christmas to you and your family!

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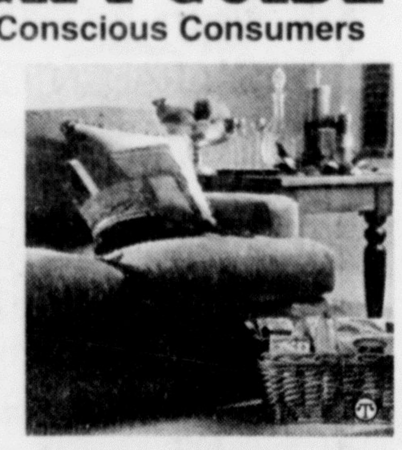
(NAPS)—With this year's extra-short shopping season only adding to everyone's stress levels, savvy shoppers should be thinking of ways to maximize two things: their time *and* their wallets.

Many people have already learned to turn to one-stop shopping destinations such as off-price retailers for gift ideas. But with Thanksgiving falling later than usual on the calendar, the attraction of places like Marshalls may be even greater. There, you can often find a variety of choices from gift sets to gourmet baskets to designer fashions and accessories at discounts from 20 to 60 percent off retail prices.

"Luxury gift sets are always convenient, and—if you have time to spare—you can create a personalized gift by delivering seasonal fashions and gifts in decorative boxes, baskets and totes," said Colleen Healy, a Marshalls shopping expert.

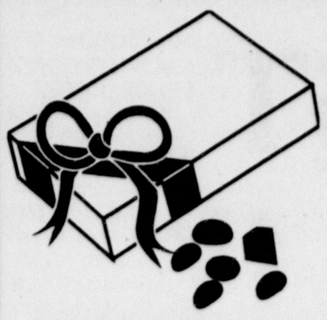
Here are some gift suggestions to try on for size:

- Ladies Only: Matching cashmere scarves and gloves rank high with the fashionista in the family. Bath and body sets, including luxurious lotions, fragrances, soaps and candles offer pampering, while fine jewelry can be a great romantic gesture. Also look for suede, leather, cashmere and faux fur fashions and accessories to help complete any holiday look.
- The Manly Man: Gifts including suede gloves, cashmere scarves, leather wallets and designer fragrances are invariably a hit. Leather coats with shearling accents and heavy wool sweaters can add luxury and style. Not sure what to get? Consider designer neckties.
- Kidding Around: Picture books, sticker and stationery sets, jewelry boxes and dolls make fun gifts for girls, while science kits, wooden blocks and mystery books for boys can be great choices, especially when given in backpacks and tote bags. Ski-influenced clothing is also hot for both sexes.
- Home for the Holidays: China, decanters and ornaments can bring holiday cheer into any home. For the hostess, gifts of Belgian chocolates, gourmet cookies and Italian biscotti and assorted English teas and jams are appreciated.



Many people are turning to off-price retailers this holiday season for gift ideas for less.

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Five Investment Facts To Prepare For A Secure Financial Future



(NAPS)—Sixty-seven percent of registered financial services agents in a recent poll reported that their clients have pulled their investments out of the stock market. A nationwide survey of nearly 1,000 Farmers Financial Solutions registered agents also found that small middle-class investors have been left with depleted savings and an all-around uncertainty about where to turn for help after months of turmoil on Wall Street.

"The turbulent market and economic uncertainty has created anxiety among investors, leading many to liquidate their investments in fear of losing more," says Brian S. Cohen, president of Farmers Financial Solutions. "It is an understandable psychological reaction, but a dangerous strategy for retirement planning. People need to focus on the long term and realize there are basic steps that can help build a secure investment strategy—even in the worst bear markets."

Cohen recommends that every investor remember these five investment facts when establishing an investment strategy:

• **Everyone can save**—Regardless of income, everyone needs to put money away regularly for the future. Even if it is a small amount, something is better than nothing, and it will accumulate over time.

• **Know your needs**—Realize that you have both short-term and long-term financial needs. Develop a savings strategy for now and the future that is appropriate for your income level and risk tolerance.

• **Don't "play" the market**—Historically, the stock market works in cycles and smart investors will use a consistent, long-term strategy for accumulating savings and investments. It is dangerous to play the guessing game of selling high and buying low.

• **401(k), IRA ASAP**—Continue investing in a 401(k) and start an IRA. While this seems like old advice, the contribution and tax benefits of these options are significant and it is a mistake to neglect them.

• **Diversify, diversify, diversify**—Pursue a balanced investment strategy using a combination of mutual funds, income-oriented products, life insurance and other savings options. Don't get burned by putting all your eggs in one basket.

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PETS & PEOPLE

Keep Your Pets Safe During The Holidays



THERE'S NO HOLIDAY on pet safety. Make sure your holiday candles are placed where pets can't overturn them.

(NAPS)—Pet owners who understand that the same holiday treats and trimmings considered harmless for us could be a serious health risk for their pets are barking up the right tree. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) offers pet owners some helpful hints to ensure that their pets will stay happy, healthy and stress free for the Thanksgiving, Hanukah and Christmas holidays:

• Crowds and holiday festivities can frighten some animals If your pet does not enjoy being around a lot of people, make sure you set aside a safe and quiet haven for her to retreat if necessary. If you are a cat owner, remember that cats are creatures of habit. Disruptions in the home during the holidays, such as rearranging the furniture, could cause your feline to stop using the litterbox.

• Alcohol and pets do NOT mix. Place unattended alcoholic drinks where pets cannot reach them; the same holds true for leftovers. Poultry bones can splinter and cause blockages and greasy, spicy and fatty foods can cause stomach upset. Boiled or grilled meats and fresh vegetables can be offered as a healthy alternative.

• Be careful with holiday decorations. Common Yuletide plants such as mistletoe, ivy and holly berries can be poisonous or even fatal. Christmas tree water may contain dangerous fertilizers and can be a breeding ground for bacteria. Make sure your Christmas and Hanukah candles are placed where your pets can't overturn them and possibly burn themselves or your home. Decorate your tree with animal safe wood or fabric ornaments or pine cones. Tinsel, ribbon and popcorn strands can be deadly if swallowed.

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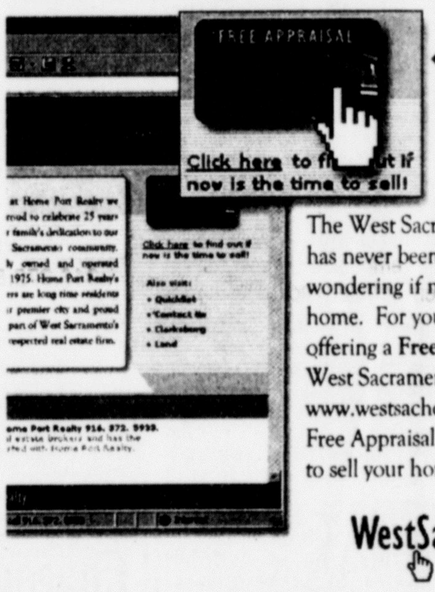
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PAGE FROM THE PAST

LOCAL ITEMS

The Sacramento River registered 2 feet 1 inch U. S. gauge at the S. P. bridge yesterday. The tide now shows at every raise and fall a change of about 14 inches, which means a great deal to the steamers plying up and down stream.

A large signboard which has occupied the front of the Hauser property adjoining the Postoffice and owned by the Funk Adv. Co. of Sacramento, was removed yesterday. The reason advanced for its removal by the workmen engaged thereon was that the posters were nearly always torn from the board as soon as they were placed, thus rendering the advertising worthless. It seems a pity that the board should have been removed because it hid from the public gaze a veritable pile of rubbish. Fred Hauser has promised that the vacant lot will be cleaned up immediately to "remove the stain."

W. T. Smith has returned from Arizona where he spent two weeks, and is about to leave for Los Angeles where he has secured a permanent position.

Mrs. M. Boland was a visitor at the home of her friend, Mrs. B. Moss, during two days of the past week. Mrs. Boland was formerly a resident of Washington, but during the past 18 years has made her home in Santa Clara.

Robert Clifton came home last night after an absence in France of nearly two years. He was accompanied from San Francisco by his sister, Mrs. Ella Muhm. Bob Clifton saw active service at the front and a member of the army of occupation in Coblentz. It was too late for the Independent to secure an interview with him last night. The Clifton family made happy over his arrival and killed the fatted calf for the occasion.

Mrs. E. L. Blackington was confined to her home for a few days of te past week with a slight sickness. She has recovered.

Last Thursday morning H. Leinberger, Sr., went to San Francisco to participate in the festivities of the Fourth. Henry is 89 years young and needed no guardian to show him around. He returned Sunday evening.

Supervisor Leinberger went to Reno for the Rodeo on July 4th. This was a business trip, combined with pleasure because he expected to meet the Nevada Stock Raisers at the Rodeo.

Mrs. Ed. Hansen has been in San Francisco during the past week and will remain for some time to come. During her absence the business of the Washington Hotel is conducted by Mrs. Mary Hansen.

Repairs being made to the San Joaquin No. 4 are nearing completion. The steamer was repaired and her machinery was overhauled toroughly. Many men are engaged in the work and the Sacramento Transportation Co. is hurrying the job to place other steamers on the "ways."

Henry Leinberger, Jr., was a visitor at Lake Tahoe and other mountain resorts over the Fourth. He has not yet returned home.

Mrs. F. W. Todhunter is mourning the loss of several pieces of clothing which she hung out to air last Wednesday and which she believed to be safe in her back yard. During her absence at the Postoffice some petty thief came along and took the clothing, among which was a suit of Beanie's in which was his annual pass on the S. P. lines. No trace of the thief has been found by Constable Buckingham.

A Young People's Society was organized at the Washington Baptist Church last Sunday with the following officers: President, Ralph Shaw; Vice-President, Pearl Moser; Secretary, Blair Manchester; Treasurer, Sallie Russell. Plans were discussed for a lawn party, and the following committee was named to take charge of te affair Ralph Shaw, Pearl Moser, Sallie Russell, Leland Peek.

Bud De Riso returned to Brownsville Monday, after spending the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank De Riso.

Friends of Mrs. H. Porter, who went to San Jose for the holiday, have received word of the illness of her little daughter, Althea. Miss Bessie Porter has joined her mother and sister in San Jose.

Thomas Snyder, formerly a resident of Washington and a County Supervisor at one time, but for many years a resident of Arizona, spent the Fourth with friends in Washington. Snyder is engaged in the road contracting business in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ramsey of San Francisco spent the week-end as guests of Mrs. Ramsey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Dupszyk.

Mrs. George Souza is at home from a few days' visit in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. George Painter have returned from a trip to Lake Tahoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fuller have returned from the Yosemite Valley.

Mrs. George Lewis has accompanied her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wiard, on a motor trip to Santa Cruz.

Mrs. B. Robbins and Miss Alma Bennett have returned from Oakland. They were accompanied by their cousin, Joe Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith have gone to Lake Tahoe for an extended trip.

Seth Berry and family have taken a cottage on Fourth street.

Lemuel Butters and family have moved into a house on Fourth street.

E. O. Steiner has returned to his home in San Francisco, after visiting for several days at the home of his daugter, Mrs. C. A. Kiff.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Case spent the week-end visiting relatives in Oakland.

Joe Eugene of Fallon, Nevada, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Eugene.

Frank Gordon of Napa is a guest at the O. P. Cook home.

The Trustees of the Washington School have given notice that stock must not be pastured on the school grounds. Many flowers have been planted on the school yard this year, and these have been trampled by the stock. Constable H. B. Buckingham has been asked by te Trustees to enforce the order.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lee are at home from Valley Forge, Sonoma County, where they spent two weeks vacation.

Clarence Reynolds is in Washington from Wilmington, where he was engaged for several months in ship building.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Colclough have returned from a vacation at Dillons Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Dotson are at Lake Tahoe for a vacation.

The Riverbank Volunteer Fire Company will give a dance at the school July 19th. The proceeds from the dance will be used in the purchase of apparatus for the company.

L. C. Stewart is spending a few weeks at Monterey with his son John who is Postmaster there.

The death of Mrs. Mary Waring, an old-time resident of Washington and a large property owner in the town, occurred last Monday in Sacramento. Her funeral was held Wednesday from the parlors of Miller & Skelton. Both sons, Roy and Robert, are well known here.

RELIEF OF NATIONAL WAR-TIME PROHIBITION IS AT HAND THRU PRESIDENTIAL INTERFERENCE

FOLLOWING THE SIGNING OF PEACE IT WOULD BE ABSURD TO VISIT ON THE PEOPLE A MEASURE PROVOKING DISRUPTION AND CONFISCATION

No man can say to-day that prohibition prevails throughout the United States.

No man can say that anyone respects a law so absurd in its reasons, so confiscatory in its enactments, and so detrimental in its meaning.

In the first place a war-time prohibition is nonsensical after peace has been proclaimed.

There is no necessity now for war-time prohibition. Even the Food Conservation Board has been dismissed and every man is at liberty to use the products of the soil as he sees fit so long as he does not abuse them.

In addition, great shiploads of California barley are being loaded at Port Costa for transfer to Europe to be used in the brewing of beer.

No working man will stand for this idiotic provision when he himself is denied tat which he deems his right and to which he has been accustomed for years.

It is not prohibition but politics that controls the country to-day. It is political trickery that is in the ascendancy by which the prohibitionists expect to obtain control of the spoils of office.

There is danger that they may go too far and provoke the people to open rebellion.

Americans are too fond of liberty to be circumscribed by a vicious doctrine that means good for nobody except the weakling who must be controlled lest he ruin himself.

President Wilson is aware of this and will likely take the proper steps to alleviate the situation before the end of July.

Throughout the country to-day there is disruption that was never known before and all caused by prohibition.

Some men obey the law, some ignore it.

Some towns observe prohibition, some do not.

This condition brings about disrespect for all laws and when that condition prevails there is liable to be trouble.

The machinery of the National Government is not sufficient to enforce obedience to this law, and it will cut no figure what machinery may be available the act cannot be made effective.

It would take more than the Internal Revenue Bureau to enforce the law.

War-time prohibition is an absolute injustice to the people.

Especially is this true in California, but it applies in other States just as well as to the Golden West.

If the question of prohibition is a righteous one, why is it that its proponents fight so strenuously a vote of the people on the question? The Government of the United States is founded on the principle of government "by the people and for the people."

Why then may not the people vote on a question of so great moment that the best citizens fear it may be the cause of bloodshed.

Lawmakers should remember that the Civil War came about through the fact that one portion of the population wanted to saddle the other portion with its ideas.

Returning from Europe and having learned the lessons of sobriety taught there, President Wilson will soon declare, as it is in his power to declare, that there is no necessity for a war-time act after peace has been declared.

There is only one deterrent to this and that is the question of politics.

Will the President declare prohibition off, knowing that he must have the support of the prohibitionsists in Congress and in the Senate to put over his League of Nations idea?

Throughout the United States today respect for law and order has decreased to an enormous extent. This is not unusual, for when a law becomes objectionable and detrimental no man feels he must obey it. The hypocrisy of a war-time prohibition law is too apparent to be questioned.

YOLO HOPS ARE MONEY GETTERS

Yesterday Julius Blauth sold to the Wolfe Hop Company 100,000 pounds of Yolo hops at the abnormal price of 50 cents per pound.

This is only a part of Blauth's crop which is raised about seven miles north of Washington on the Sacramento River.

This is another crop grown in Yolo County which the prohibitionists of the country would destroy if they had their say.

The members of Congress are absolutely under the whip of the Anti-Saloon League. No relief can be expected from them because their political futures are threatened by that whip.

Should prohibition ever become a national measure, it will remain but a short time, and then there will be a return that will be dangerous to the Commonwealth.

It would be a pity that the property owners should be so deeply injured that they might tear out their grape vines to return them in a few months or years when national prohibition will be declared illegal.

The surprising part of the war-time prohibition is the equanimity with which the people obey it, altough they know it to be illogical, absurd and detrimental.

In the hands of the working men of the country there lies the burden of relieving the situation.

If these quietly submit to prohibition orders, it may stand, but it is far from them to believe or to feel or to act intelligently under an order that injures them so deeply.

To-day the best element of the working people are living strictly up to this prohibition. The weakling who has an abnormal fondness for intoxicating liquors is using denatured alcohol, drugs, and other substitutes, and all of these are more baneful in their effects than the stimulant the ordinary working man wants when he seeks relief after a hard day's work.

Prohibition discriminates against the poor man and for the rich man. He who can afford to buy a barrel full has laid it away, but he who can not afford a drink must go without.

Twenty-six members of the International Bible Students' Association have been discharged by the United States District Court of Los Angeles although they were indicted for sedition committed during the war.

Doesn't it seem funny that so many of the Bible backs get in jail wilfully and escape easily?

Good men would be allowed to rest in prison.

RICE MILL ADDITION CONTRACT BEING FIGURED

As announced exclusively in The Independent several weeks ago the contract for an additional warehouse to be built by the California State Rice Milling Company is now in the hands of contractors and bids will be considered and the contract awarded next Monday or Tuesday.

The new building will measure 150 by 350 feet and will be built on the west side of the railroad track leading to the mill.

President F. Godchaux of New Orleans is now in Sacramento waiting for returns from the contractors.

T. J. Garvey, Vice-President and General aMnager of the Sacramento plant, yesterday stated that plans were being drawn for an immense warehouse to have a storage capacity of 500,000 bags of rice. This will double the present warehouse facilities of the company on the west bank of the Sacramento River.

It also is announced that additional equipment will be installed in the mills, bringing the daily capacity up to 6,000 bags of cleaned rice.

The industry is growing at such a rapid pace, the officials announced, that they find it necessary to make these extensions, although the mills built less than one year ago were thought to be large enough to take care of the yearly rice harvest.

This year's crop in the Sacramento Valley is expected to approach the 4,000,000 bag mark, as the cereal is reported to be in a very favorable growing stage at the present time.

The Louisiana and Texas rice crops, President Codchaux stated, do not look so encouraging, owing to bad whether and other unfavorable conditions.

President Codchaux will remain in Sacramento for a couple of weeks, revising and approving the plans for the improvements in West Sacramento, which will be rushed, in order to handle the oncoming crop.

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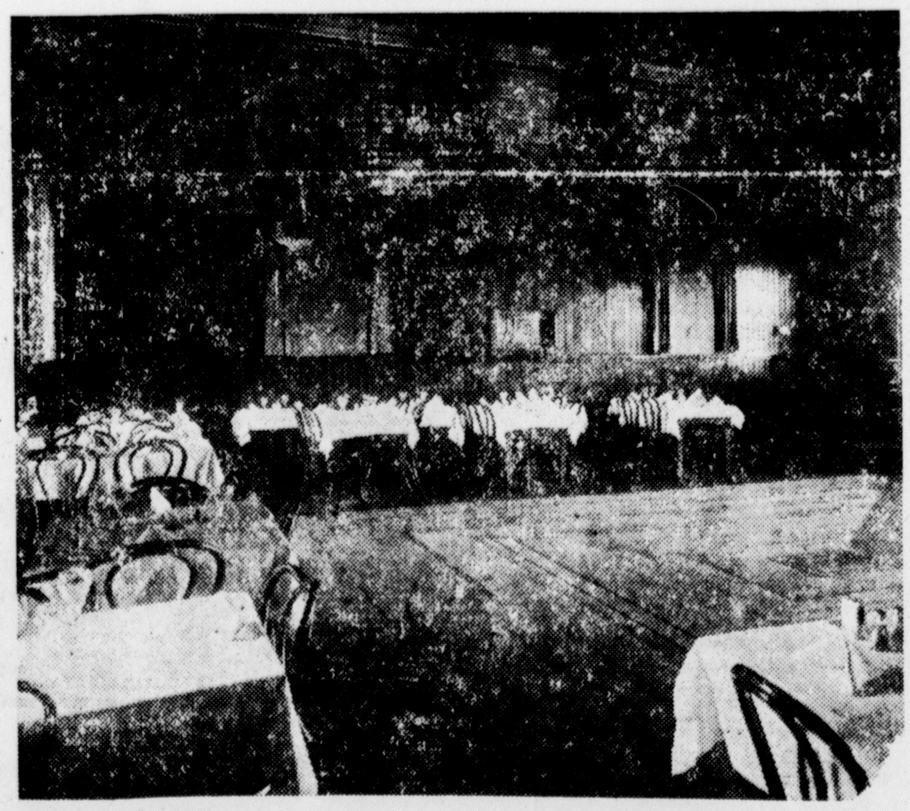
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SEE ATTACHMENT (CCP section 861.1)

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (a Ud. le esta demandando) SEECON FINANCIAL & CONSTRUCTION CO., INC., a California corporation.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a typewritten response at this court.

A letter or phone call will not protect you; your typewritten response must be in the proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case.

If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or a legal aid office (listed in the phone book).

Despues de que le entreguen esta citacion judicial usted tiene un plazo de 30 DIAS CALENDRIOS para presentar una respuesta escrita a maquina en esta corte.

Una carta o una llamada telefonica no le ofrecera proteccion; su respuesta escrita a maquina tiene que cumplir con las formalidades legales apropidas si usted quiere que la corte escuche su caso.

Si usted no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso, y le pueden quitar su salario, su dinero y otras cosasde su propiedad sin aviso adicional por parte de la corte.

Existen otros requisitos legales. Puede que usted quiera llamar a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia de abogados o a una oficine de ayuda legal (ves el directorio telefonico).

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es)

Yolo County Superior Court, 725 Court St., Rm. 103, Woodland, CA 95695.

Case Number (Numero del Caso) PT02-2023

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o dal demandante que no tiene abogado, es): David P. Lanferman, SBN 071593, (415) 434-9100, Fax No. (415) 434-3947; Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton, LLP, Four Embarcadero Center, Suite 1700, San Francisco, CA 94111.

DATE: Nov. 21, 2002
KATHLEEN M. White, Clerk, By /s/_

Attachment to Summons

Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure sections 863 and 861.1, this Summons is directed to all persons interested in the matter of Washington Unified School District Resolution No. 023-01, entitled, "A Resolution of the Governing Board of the Washington Unified School District Adopting a School Facility Needs Analysis and Adopting Alternative School Facility Fees in Compliance with Government Code Sections 65995.5, 65995.6 and 65995.7 and Making Related Findings and Determinations (Level 2/3 Fees)."

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons interested therein may appear or contest the validity of said Resolution by filing a written answer to the complaint not later than January 20, 2003, or 10 days after completion of the publication of this Summons.

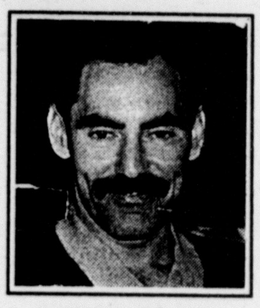
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Reward in unsolved killing



Daniel S. Martinez

The family of murder victim Daniel S. Martinez has offered a $5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for the crime.

Anyone with information is asked to call West Sacramento Police Detective Tom Maggiano, 372-2461 ext. 290.

Martinez was killed June 13 in West Sacramento.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YOLO
In the Matter of KAYLANNI MONIQUE BONTON, Minor.
No. JV-02-00178
CITATION

To all persons claiming to be the father of the above named minor:

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR at a hearing in Yolo County Juvenile Court, located at 725 Court Street, Woodland, California, 95695, on February 19, 2003. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to permanently terminate your parental rights over the above-named minor born to Kristine Bracy on March 29, 2002. If you wish to be represented by an attorney and are unable to afford one, the Court will appoint an attorney to represent you.

Dated: 12/13/2002
/s/JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE COURT

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
December 25, 2002
The City of West Sacramento
1110 West Capitol Avenue
West Sacramento, CA 95691
Steve Rikala
City Planner
TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

Rehabilitation of 8 single-family owner-occupied homes within the City of West Sacramento. Total project cost is approximately $300,000.

An Environmental Review Record respecting this project has been made by the City of West Sacramento which documents the environmental review of the project. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the above-mentioned address and is available for public examination and copying, upon request.

The City of West Sacramento will undertake the project described above with HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds under the Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The City of West Sacramento is certifying to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development that Steve Rikala, in his capacity as City Planner, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied for this project. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of West Sacramento may use the HOME Investment Partnership Program funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities. The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases:

that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer;

that the City of West Sacramento's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the environmental review process.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to the California Department of Housing and Community Development, Community Development Section, 1800 Third Street, Sacramento, CA 95818. Objections to the release of funds on a basis other than those stated above will not be considered by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development. All objections must be received by the State of California within 15 days from the time the State of California receives the City of West Sacramento's request for release of funds and certification.

No objection received after January 10, 2003 will be considered by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development.

/s/Steve Rikala, City Planner
City of West Sacramento
1110 West Capitol Avenue
West Sacramento, CA 95691
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West Sac's Cabaldon named vice chair of area's SACOG board

West Sacramento Mayor Christopher Cabaldon has been elected vice-chair of the Board of Directors for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), effective January 1, 2003. He succeeds Citrus Heights Mayor Bill Hughes, who was promoted by the board to serve as its chair for the coming year. SACOG is the transportation planning and funding agency for the six-county Sacramento region.

Cabaldon is the first West Sacramentan to serve as vice-chair of SACOG since Yolo County Supervisor Art Edmonds in 1970. It's also the first time the city of West Sacramento has had a representative elected to the board's leadership since the city's incorporation in 1987.

Following his re-election to the city council in November, Cabaldon was selected by the council to a third term as mayor, his first since serving back-to-back terms in 1999 and 2000.

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- Board of Appeals

Appointments are scheduled to begin on December 18, 2002. For additional information or to receive an application, contact the office of the City Clerk, 1110 West Capitol Ave., 3rd floor or call 617-4500. Applications are also available on the city's web site: www.ci.west-sacramento. ca.us. Click on City Council and then click on Boards & Commissions.

News-Ledger Directory *of* Local Places *of* Worship

Anna Street Baptist Church Rev. Norman Pollitt, 371-6560 1400 Anna St., W. Sac. Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am Sunday Worship 6pm Prayer Time Wed. 7pm http://www.forministry.com/95605ASBC	**Community Lutheran Church** Rev. Marjorie C. Beach, Pastor 920 Drever St., 371-8804 10am Worship/Sun. School Friendly, family, inclusive language. The 'come as you are' church.	**Seventh Day Adventist Church** H. Eugene Miller, Pastor, 334-9315 2860 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac. PO Box 447, W. Sac. 95691 Sat. Sabbath School 9:30am Worship 11am 372-6570
First Baptist Church Gary Clements, Pastor Sun. Worship 9:45am Sun. eve. fellowship 6pm Jr/Sr High Youth Mon. 6:30pm Home Bible Studies Tues. 7pm Awana (K-6) Wed. 6:30pm Boy Scouts (11-18) Thurs. 6:30pm Men's Prayer Fllwship Sat. 8am 1511 Delaware Ave. 371-4061	**Trinity Presbyterian Church** 1500 Park Blvd., 371-5875 SUNDAY SCHEDULE: 10am Worship Service 11:15am Christian Education Child Care Provided JOIN US! www.2xtreme.net/clmet/trinity.htm	**Holy Cross Catholic Church** 1321 Anna St. near Todhunter 371-1211 Rev. Chad Puthoff, SDS Sat. Vigil 5pm (English) Sun. 9 (English) Noon & 7pm (Spanish) Mon. 8:30am, Tues-Wed 7am, Thurs. 6:45 (Spanish) Fri. 8:30am
First Southern Baptist Church Pastor Michael Root Sun. School 9:30am Sun. Worship 11am, 6:30pm Wed. 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 2124 Michigan Blvd. 371-2111	**Southport Community Church** James Allerton, Pastor 2568 Industrial Blvd. Elem. School 9:30 a.m. Children's Programs Wkly Small Grp Bible Study Great Music www.southportcommunity.com 372-7818	**Westside Covenant Church** 371-3933 Meeting Sunday at 10 a.m. at Westfield Village Elementary School 508 Poplar Ave. West Sacramento
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church 911 Park Blvd., 371-4814 Father James B. Walsh, Pastor Masses: Sat. Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9 & 10:30am Weekdays 7am No Mass on Thursday	**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints** Bishop Ray Jackson ■ 2667 Linden Rd 10am Sacrament Meeting 11:20am Sunday School 12:10pm Priesthood/Relief Society PUBLIC WELCOME! 373-1801	**River of Life Community Church** Pastor Dave Losey 3605 Gregory Ave. 10 a.m. Worship Children's Programs Youth 6 p.m. www.intheriver.com 371-6706

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Local Scene

Children of divorce

Yolo Family Service Agency is once again offering 'Kids' Turn', a six-week group program for children and parents experiencing divorce or separation. The program offers support and help with coping skills. For more information, call 375-1254.

Candlelight worship

Christmas Eve candlelight worship will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24 at Community Lutheran Church, 920 Drever St. All are welcome. Call 371-8804 for information.

Get involved

The City of West Sacramento is looking for residents to serve on the following boards and commissions: planning commission, commission on aging, parks & community services commission, housing advisory commission, economic development advisory commission and board of appeals. For more information or an application, call 617-4500.

Candy for kids

The West Sacramento Kiwanis Club has teamed with See's Candy for a fundraiser to benefit local scholarship, children's camp and other kids' programs. The is staffing a booth on Merkley Ave. (open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), selling See's Candy to benefit the programs. The booth will be located across from the Margaret McDowell Manor, west of Jefferson Blvd. on Merkley.

Food giveaway

The Yolo County Food Bank will distribute food to needy West Sacramento and Clarksburg residents on Dec. 28 at the county building on Jefferson Blvd. from 8-10 a.m.; at the Sam Combs Activity Center from 8:30-9:30 a.m.; and at the Clarksburg Firehouse from 10-11 a.m. Commodities may include potatoes, sweet potatoes, rice, tomato sauce, spaghetti, corn syrup and pears. Please bring a bag. For information on eligibility, call (530) 758-6821.

VFW breakfast

West Sacramento's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8762 will host a breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon on Dec. 29. Cost is $5. Call 372-5793.

Raley Field use

The Sacramento River Cats have made 20 days available for community group use of Raley Field. Non-profit groups interested in using the stadium between March 1 and Oct. 31, 2003, may obtain an application by calling the city parks department, 373-5860.

Coat donations

The Star Recorder Committee of the Women of the Moose in West Sacramento is collecting "coats for kids" along with Channel 10 during December. New or gently-used coats may be dropped off at the Moose Home, 3240 Jefferson Blvd., and will be delivered to Channel 10 to be given to needy kids. Cash donations may also be sent to the Salvation Army, PO Box 34699, Sacramento, CA 95834. Make checks payable to "Coats for Kids."

Refuse service

The Christmas and New Year's holidays will alter local refuse and recycling collection schedules. On these holidays, Wednesday pickups will move to Thursday; Thursday pickups will move to Friday; and Friday pickups will move to Saturday. If you have any questions, call 617-4575.

Holiday recycling

Here are three ideas for recycling holiday trees and materials: The West Sacramento Senior Center and use your used greeting cards for crafts. Drop the cards off at 661 Cummins Way, or at the parks department in city hall, 1110 West Capitol Ave. Consider using gift bags instead of gift wrap for presents. The presents can be re-used, and you may put a date on the inside of the bag each time it's used for a new present. You may recycle your Christmas tree by cutting it into three-foot sections and leaving it curbside, or by dropping it in the box in the Rite Aid parking lot between Dec. 26 and Jan. 6.

Suicide prevention

Suicide Prevention and Crisis Services of Yolo County announce an ongoing winter session of "Friends and Family of Suicide Loss," through January on Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the Suicide Prevention office in Davis. No fee. Call (530) 756-7542 for information or to register.

Christmas program

Journey Christian Church invites you to a family Christmas Eve program at 6 p.m. on Tues., Dec. 24, at Best Western Harbor Inn, 1250 Halyard Drive. Enjoy candlelight, multimedia, music and a gift for each child. The church is a non-denominational Christian church, with regular services Sundays at 9 a.m.

Painters' exhibit

The "plein air" painters will have watercolors on exhibit through Jan. 2 at the Turner branch library, 1212 Merkley Ave., West Sacramento. Artists are Mae Delle Leino, Ruth McCormick, Cathy Palmer, Del Sunley and Betty Fairbairn Sokolich.

Cookbooks for church

A cookbook from Trinity Presbyterian Church called "Cooking with Angels" is now available for purchase. A number of local cooks submitted recipes for the book. Call 371-8873 or the church, 371-5875.

Art show

The West Sacramento Art Guild will exhibit its works at Ann Bissett-Clark's studio at 1510 Merkley Ave. from 6-9 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month. For information concerning the show or the guild, call Stella Caluya, 371-3744.

Gallery show

The public is invited to the opening of an art show called "Visions," at Davis Community Gallery in the waiting area and community room of the Davis Community Clinic, 2040 Sutter Pl. in Davis. A reception for the artists will be held 5:30-7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 10. For information, call Jenni Jacobs, (530) 758-1510, ext. 1204.

Bargain books

A book sale sponsored by the East Yolo Friends of the library will be held Sat.-Sun. Jan. 18-19, with Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The sale will be held in the community room of the Arthur F. Turner Branch Library, 1212 Merkley Ave. Donations of clean, gently used books are accepted year round in the library. Donations of magazines, catalogs and audio-visual materials are also welcome. Book sale proceeds benefit library programs.





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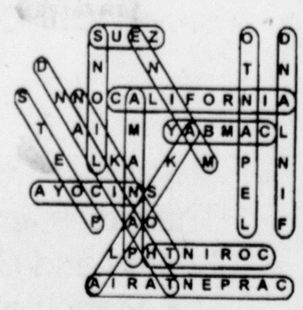
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2. Jackie Robinson with Brooklyn in 1949.
3. Steve Spurrier was 20-13-1 from 1987 through 1989.
4. Boston's Antoine Walker, Minnesota's Kevin Garnett and Orlando's Tracy McGrady.
5. According to the Hockey Hall of Fame, it is Montreal great Henri Richard with 11.
6. The two-man bobsled.
7. One — the British Open.







Differences: 1. Snowman's hat is different. 2. Boy has a scarf. 3. Snowballs have been added. 4. Tree is missing. 5. Teacher's nose is different. 6. Boy is holding an apple.



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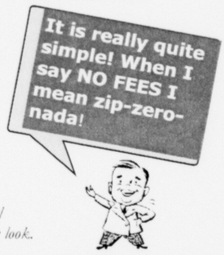
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